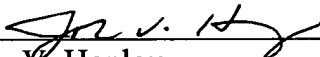


REMARKS

By this paper, claims 1 and 5 have been amended to correct typographical errors. The preamble of claim 1 was amended to recite the phrase "charm earring system" so that claim 1 and its dependent claims 2-4 have like preambles. Additionally, the spelling of the term "pierced" in both claims 1 and claim 5 have been corrected. Finally, at line 9 of claim 1, the phrase "charm ring" has been replaced with the term "charm" so that there is proper antecedent basis for reference to the term "charm" at line 9.

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